

CLAIMS:

We claim:

1. A container comprising:
 

5           A first opposing member and a second opposing member joined together defining a top, a bottom, and a pair of opposing sides, the top having an opening formed therein for receiving materials;

          an anti-splash member dividing the container into a receiving portion and a collection portion, the anti-splash member having at least one seam formed by joining the first and second opposing members together defining at least one aperture; and

10           wherein passage of materials through the aperture from the receiving portion to the collection portion is promoted by the anti-splash member, and passage of materials from the collection portion to the receiving portion is restricted.
- 15   2. The container of claim 1 wherein the first and second opposing members are trapezoidal in shape and the top is a larger dimension than the bottom.
3. The container of claim 2 wherein the aperture is located between two seams and both seams are declined towards the aperture directing materials towards the aperture.
- 20           4. The container of claim 1 wherein the pair of opposing sides are curvilinear and the top is a larger dimension than the bottom.
- 25           5. The container of claim 1 wherein the seam is declined towards the aperture directing materials towards the aperture.
6. The container of claim 5 wherein the aperture is located adjacent one of the opposing sides.
- 30           7. The container of claim 1 wherein the container is flushable.
8. The container of claim 1 comprising at least one handle formed in the container.

9. The container of claim 1 wherein the receiving portion has a volume  $V_1$ , the collection portion has a volume  $V_2$ , and the ratio of  $V_2/V_1$  is from about 0.9 to about 0.7.
10. The container of claim 9 wherein the ratio of  $V_2/V_1$  is from about 0.4 to about 0.
11. A container comprising:  
a top and a bottom connected by at least one sidewall, the top having an opening formed therein for receiving materials;  
an anti-splash member dividing the container into a receiving portion and a collection portion, the anti-splash member having at least one restrictor flap defining a passageway between the restrictor flap and the sidewall into the receiving portion; and  
wherein passage of materials through the passageway from the receiving portion to the collection portion is promoted by the anti-splash member, and passage of materials from the collection portion to the receiving portion is restricted.
12. The container of claim 11 wherein the passageway is initially closed and the passageway opens when materials contact the restrictor flap.
13. The container of claim 11 wherein the restrictor flap is resilient.
14. The container of claim 11 further comprising two restrictor flaps joined to the container defining two passageways and the restrictor flaps are declined towards the passageway.
15. The container of claim 11 wherein the sidewall comprises a first opposing member and a second opposing member joined together, the first and second opposing members formed from a flexible material.
16. The container of claim 11 wherein the receiving portion has a volume  $V_1$ , the collection portion has a volume  $V_2$ , and the ratio of  $V_2/V_1$  is from about 0.9 to about 0.7.
17. The container of claim 16 wherein the ratio  $V_2/V_1$  is from about 0.4 to about 0.

18. A container comprising:  
a top and a bottom connected by at least one sidewall, the top having an  
opening formed therein for receiving materials;  
anti-splash means for reducing spilling dividing the container into a receiving  
portion and a collection portion, the anti-splash means promoting passage of  
materials from the receiving portion to the collection portion while restricting  
passage of materials in a reverse direction; and  
the container is formed from a material that is water degradable.
19. The container of claim 18 wherein the receiving portion has a volume V1, the  
collection portion has a volume V2 and the ratio of V2/V1 is from about 0.9 to  
about 0.7.
20. The container of claim 19 wherein the bottom can fit inside a pipe having an inside  
diameter of less than about four inches.
21. The container of claim 18 wherein the water degradable material is a laminate  
having a barrier layer, a water sensitive layer, and an outside saturation layer.
22. The container of claim 1 made by the process comprising the steps of:  
unwinding a first web of material and unwinding a second web of material;  
placing the first web adjacent the second web;  
joining the first web to the second web forming a two-ply third web of material;  
and,  
cutting at least a portion of the third web into a plurality of containers.
23. The process of claim 22 wherein the plurality of containers are nested.
24. The process of claim 23 wherein the nested containers comprise a proceeding  
container and a subsequent container, and the subsequent container is inverted  
relative to the proceeding container.
25. The process of claim 22 wherein the cutting step comprises perforating the third  
web.

26. The process of claim 25 further comprising the step of winding the perforated third web into a roll.

27. The process of claim 22 further comprising the steps of separating the containers, folding the containers, stacking the containers, and packaging the containers.

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